

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph 1 on page 3 with the following amended paragraph:

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The present invention comprises a utility golf club that combines a number of features not otherwise found in any one standard golf club. The preferred embodiment of the present invention comprises a golf club having a short shaft, a heavy head, a strong loft angle, a deep face, a wide sole, a sharp edge sole pattern, an ~~increase~~ increased lie angle and hitting surface and sightline alignment aids. These features combine to provide a very useful extra club that can be advantageously employed in a variety of difficult game situations. The short shaft aids precision and increases attack angle. The heavy head helps defeat deep rough and permits a shortened back swing. The deep face or hitting surface, assures a greater probability of striking the ball even in the rough where the ball may sit very high. A stronger loft angle is useful for bump and run shots near the greens as well as extricating shots out of the rough. The sharp edge sole pattern permits more consistent shots on hard surfaces. The alignment aids permit accurate orientation of the club head particularly near the green where it can be controlled like a putter. In addition, the preferred embodiment of the invention utilizes a high lie angle and a hosel shifted behind the club head's leading edge to reduce turf contact particularly in the rough and thus minimize induced twisting.

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